IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 10/653823 Confirmation No. 4117

Applicant : Toshihiro Takeuchi Filed : September 3, 2003

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Examiner : Nahid Amiri

Title : FRAME JOINT STRUCTURE AND JOINING METHOD

THEREOF

Docket No. : SHM-14986

Customer No. : 040854

AMENDMENT "D"

(In response to Paper No./Mail Date 20070416)

Mail Stop <u>AMENDMENT</u> Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated April 24, 2007. The three month period for responding to the Office action expires on July 24, 2007. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

- Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.
- Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.